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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Mannalal Ramgopal BAJAJ

GAU: Unassigned

SERIAL NO: New Application

EXAMINER: Unassigned

FILED: April 4, 2006

FOR: A NOVEL DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEM FOR PROTON PUMP INHIBITORS AND PROCESS THEREOF

PRIORITY REQUEST

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SIR:

- Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Application Serial Number , filed , is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §120.
- Full benefit of the filing date of U.S. Provisional Application Serial Number , filed , is claimed pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119(e).
- Applicants claim any right to priority from any earlier filed applications to which they may be entitled pursuant to the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, as noted below.

In the matter of the above-identified application for patent, notice is hereby given that the applicants claim as priority:

COUNTRY
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APPLICATION NUMBER
1164/MUM/2003

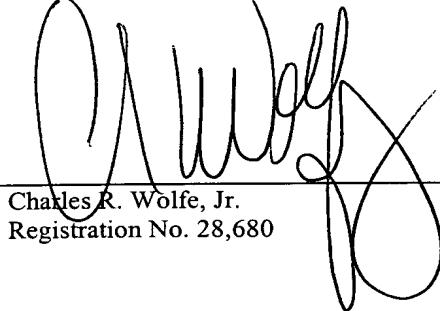
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Certified copies of the corresponding Convention Application(s)

- are submitted herewith
- will be submitted prior to payment of the Final Fee
- were filed in prior application Serial No. filed
- were submitted to the International Bureau in PCT Application Number .
Receipt of the certified copies by the International Bureau in a timely manner under PCT Rule 17.1(a) has been acknowledged as evidenced by the attached PCT/IB/304.
- (A) Application Serial No.(s) were filed in prior application Serial No. filed ; and
- (B) Application Serial No.(s)
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Respectfully Submitted,

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